

Enormous Flood of American Gold Goes with Title Hunters

TOTAL IS SAID TO REACH \$900,000,000

New York World Thinks That If Anything, the Amount Is Underestimated—Alphabetical List of Wealthy Heiresses of This Country Who Have Married Holders of Foreign Titles.

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"I think that the statement that \$900,000,000 of wealth has been taken out of this country—or, at least, that the ownership of this vast amount of assets has been transferred to aliens—by the marriage of American girls with foreigners is conservative. Undoubtedly the withdrawal of such an enormous sum has an appreciable effect upon the money market.

"The folly of Americans who have Europamania is extremely costly to this country. Our tourists spend at least \$150,000,000 of good American money abroad every year—most of it foolishly.

"I am glad to say that American girls are beginning to realize that nothing but unhappiness comes from the majority of these international marriages—though, of course, there are exceptions. They are beginning to prefer American sovereigns to European princelings."

New York.—A French journal—Le Petit Parisien—declared the other day that American girls who had married abroad, mostly for foreign titles, had carried with them to Europe the astonishing sum of \$900,000,000. The Paris writer did not associate this rather startling statement with the reports of "tight money" in America, yet on this side of the Atlantic the fact that hundreds of millions have gone out of the country with the title hunters may well occasion a little financial as well as social speculation.

Upward of 400 American girls have married in Europe within comparatively recent years. The New York Sunday World prints the present names of 359 American women who have married titles. It adds a list of 22 heiresses who have carried off sums reputed to be upward of a million. This list alone foots up \$160,000,000. Undoubtedly upward of \$300,000,000 has been paid for titles alone, for the dowries have by no means repre-

Bryant, Bronson, Berwind, Beckwith, Bonaparte, Burden, Butterfield, Carroll, Caldwell, Curtis, Cutting, Carlisle, Cary, Corbin, Colgate, Cuyler, Clayton, Claflin, Davis, Endicott, Field, Flagler, Grant, Golet, Gould, Garner, Grace, Garrison, Gallatin, Goddard, Huntington, Hecker, Haggin, Hoffman, Hamilton, Hale, Hyde, Jerome, Jay, King, Lathrop, Leiter, Lawrence, Lee, Livermore, Livingston, Moulton, Motley, Morton, Martin, Magee, Phipps, Phelps, Parsons, Roosevelt, Roberts, Riggs, Rives, Sturgis, Slocum, Stokes, Sibley, Schley, Singer, Sharon, Spencer, Stevens, Sumner, Schenck, Thaw, Turnure, Van Cortlandt, Van Buren, Vanderbilt, Winans, Work, Withers, Whitney, Wilson, Wadsworth, Whitehouse, Yznaga, Zimmerman—the list reads like a social register, the names are synonymous with vast fortunes.

AMERICAN GIRLS MARRIED TO OWNERS OF FOREIGN TITLES

A—Countess de Arschol, Lady Ashburton, Comtesse Jacques d'Aramon, Marquise Rene d'Andigne, Princess von Auerperg, Marquis d'Ajeta, Dowager Marchioness of Anglesay, Duchesse d'Arco, Lady Abinger, Lady Aylmer, Comtesse Raoul d'Aramon, Countess Lepelletier d'Aunay.

B—Countess Constantine Bodisco, Mme. Bakmeteff, Lady Booker, Comtesse Jules de Bonvouloir, Senora C. de la Barca, Princess Brancaccio, Marquise de Breuteuil, Vicomtesse Gaston de Breuteuil, Lady William Beresford, Comtesse G. de Balmcourt, Lady Bateman, Mrs. W. G. Cavendish-Bentley, Countess F. Bleucher, Lady Bagot, Lady Burnett, Baroness Bildt, Mme. Adolph von Breuninger, Lady Beaumont, Countess of Braxa, Lady Arthur Butler, Countess A. Beroldingen, Baroness Blanc, Baroness de Baigne, Lady Burrell, Baroness Bodisco, Comtesse de Boulemonet, Countess A. von Buelow, Princess Belosselsky, Lady Barrymore, Baroness de Bush, Comtesse A. de Goutaut-Biron, Princess R. de Broglie.

C—Mrs. Spender Clay, Countess de Chavannes, Baroness F. F. von Courig, Lady Cunard, Countess F. G. de Cienaros, Mrs. Harold Courtenay, Marquise

E—Lady Grey-Egerton, Countess of Essex, Countess of Egmont, Baroness R. C. B. von Eicht, Princess Engelcheff, Baroness Eloth, Lady Ellenborough, Baroness von Ehren, Lady Willoughby d'Eresby, Baroness Eynard.

F—Lady Fitzmaurice, Countess Festetics, Mrs. Moreton Frewen, Comtesse de Faramond, Lady Falkland, Vicomtesse de Fontillat, Baroness Friesen, Countess Fabrice, Lady Frankland, Signora Fedele, Signora Ferrando, Countess Dentice di Frasso.

G—Lady Graham, Mrs. William Grant, Comtesse Arthur de Gabriac, Signora Gagan, Countess Vittorio Guidi, Countess Giamotti, Countess G. G. Goeben, Lady Granley, Comtesse de Ganay, Hon. Mrs. Frederick Guest, Countess Joseph Glyckl, Princess Ghika, Countess Giuseppe della Gherardesca, Baroness de Grafenried, Baroness Grabow, Baroness Gevers, Signora Gramplini.

H—Mrs. Ogilvy Haig, Comtesse Hewenstarn, Mrs. Lewis Harcourt, Mrs. Beresford Hope, Countess von Moltke-Huitfeld, Princess F. von Hatzfeldt, Mme. de Hegerman, Lady Harcourt, Countess

TWENTY-TWO GIRLS WHO HAVE CARRIED AWAY \$160,000,000

| HEIRESS. | CARRIED AWAY. | MARRIED. |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| May Golet..... | \$40,000,000 | Duke of Roxburghe |
| Pauline Astor..... | 20,000,000 | Capt. Spender Clay |
| Anna Gould..... | 17,000,000 | Count Boni de Castellane |
| Mrs. Marshall O. Roberts..... | 12,000,000 | Col. Ralph Vivian |
| Sarah Phelps Stokes..... | 10,000,000 | Baron Halkett |
| Consuelo Vanderbilt..... | 10,000,000 | Duke of Marlborough |
| Mary Leiter..... | 5,000,000 | Lord Curzon of Kedleston |
| Nancy Leiter..... | 5,000,000 | Capt. Colin Campbell |
| Margaret Leiter..... | 5,000,000 | Earl of Suffolk |
| Belle Wilson..... | 5,000,000 | Hon. Michael Herbert |
| Caroline Astor..... | 5,000,000 | G. Ogilvy Haig |
| Marie Satterfield..... | 4,000,000 | Count F. Larisch von Moench |
| Lily Hammersley..... | 3,000,000 | Duke of Marlborough |
| Gertrude C. Parker..... | 3,000,000 | Sir Gilbert Carter |
| Julia Bryant (Mackay)..... | 2,000,000 | Prince C. di Colonna |
| Miss Garner..... | 2,000,000 | Marquis de Breteuil |
| Florence Garner..... | 2,000,000 | Sir William Gordon Cumming |
| Claire Huntington..... | 2,000,000 | Prince F. von Hatzfeldt |
| Mrs. Livingston..... | 2,000,000 | Duc de Dino |
| Minnie Stevens..... | 2,000,000 | Gen. Sir Arthur Paget |
| Beatrice Winans..... | 2,000,000 | Prince de Chalais |
| Helen Zimmerman..... | 2,000,000 | Duke of Manchester |

Paul von Hatzfeldt, Mrs. Spencer Holland, Lady Hornby, Lady Howard, Baroness Halkett, Lady Hesketh, Lady Francis Hope, Baroness Harden-Hickey, Baroness von Hoyningen-Huene, Lady M. Herbert, Lady A. Herbert.

I—Princess von Isenbourg, Countess Imperatori, Lady Alastair Innes-Ker.

J—Marquise di Casa Jara, Lady Johnstone.

K—Comtesse de Kergolay, Countess Jean de Kergolay, Countess Otto von Krauenberg-Wittgenstein, Baroness von Ketteler, Countess von Koessel, Lady Kortright, Baroness Alvin de Koresy, Baroness Ludwig Knoop, Baroness Serge Korff.

L—Baroness von Lessell, Countess Hugo Lerchenfeld, Mrs. M. L. Larisch von Moench, Lady Lampton, Signora Rodolfo Lanciani, Princess de Lynar, Senora F. de Losada, Countess Raben Leventow, Duchesse de La Rochefoucauld, Comtesse Olivier de La Rochefoucauld, Comtesse Odon de Lubersac, Mrs. John Leslie, Lady Leigh, Baroness Rudolph von Leiblich, Countess Boris Leventow, Countess Lindenkron, Countess Judith Leschinsky, Comtesse Roger de La Vaux, Duchesse of Leeds (in 1877), Baroness Luttwitz, Baroness Louis La Grange, Lady Leith, Baroness Rudolph von Leith, Countess Linden, Countess Sanza de Lobo, Countess Brockenhaus von Lowenheim, Lady Lee, Countess Charles Leuvenhaupt, Lady Lister-Kaye, Comtesse Bernard de la Fosse, Comtesse de Laugier-Villars, Baroness de Levy.

M—Countess von Moltke (2) Duchesse of Marlborough (2), Countess Mankowsky, Duchesse of Manchester (2), Baroness von Mark, Baroness Moncheur, Lady Martin, Marchesa di Viti di Marco, Princess Murat, Lady Molesworth, Lady Musgrave, Princess of Monaco, Lady Malcolm of Potlloch, Mrs. H. Herbert Milne, Baroness H. von Maltzahn, Mme. de Meisner, Mrs. George Montagu, Lady Monson, Marquise de Mores, Comtesse de Montauban, Marquise de Meriville.

N—Baronne Andre de Neufville, Lady Newborough, Lady Naylor-Leyland, Mrs. Northcote, Comtesse de Noue, Comtesse de Neffray.

O—Baroness S. A. von Oppenheim, Countess of Orford.

P—Countess Pappenheim, Mrs. Almeric Paget, Comtesse de Pierrefeu, Baroness von Palm, Lady Paget, Princess de Polignac, Princess Poniatowski, Princess Charles Poniatowski, Comtesse Bernard de Pourtales, Comtesse Jacques de Pourtales, Comtesse Otto de Pourtales, Countess Pompei Pieri, Lady Playfair, Lady Plunkett, Countess Penelope, Princess di Porzio-Suasa, Marquise de Pontol-Polcarre.

R—Princess Enrico Ruspoli, Princess Paolo Ruspoli, Princess Rospiogliosi, Princess Giambattista di Rospiogliosi, Princess Ludovico di Rospiogliosi, Baroness de Riviera, Comtesse Rene de Rougemont, Duchesse of Roxburghe, Mrs. C. M. Ramsey, Baroness Herman von Rosendahl, Vicomtesse de Roger, Signora Francesco Ricci, Baroness von Reidenau, Baroness de Reuter, Baroness de Rothenberg, Countess de Roziere, Bertrand Russell, Marquise de la Roziere, Baroness Constantine Ramsey, Mrs. J. B. Burke-Roche, Mme. Ribot, Lady Ross, Comtesse Rittberg, Princess Radziwill.

S—Baroness Bronsart von Schellendorf, Countess Ricardo Sartano, Mme. Shifner, Baroness Max von Schenehen, Baroness de Stuers, Vicomtesse Henri de Sibour, Princess of San Faustino, Baroness Stafford (in 1824), Countess of Stratford, Baroness Franz Stillfried, Countess of San Martino, Marquise di San Marzano, Baroness von Schroeder, Baroness Ludwig von Stein, Marquise di San Marzano, Mrs. Algernon Sforza, Mme. von Swindener, Countess Gryla de Szilassy, Baroness Stumm, Baroness de Stockli, Princess von Salm Salm, Hon. Mrs. Edmund Sandys, Baroness von Schweinitz, Baroness Max von Schwartzburg, Countess Franka Stierstorff, Comtesse de Suzannet, Vicomtesse Alain de Suzannet, Countess of Suffolk, Baroness de Selt, Baroness Speck von Sternburg, Mme. von Schutzbar, Comtesse de Sere, Marquise A. Dumas de Spours, Comtesse de St. Roman, Countess Bodoladi, Mrs. Stuart-Wortley, Baroness Jacques

de Saint-Marc, Countess Charles Sellern, Baroness von Schilling.

T—Countess von Trachenberg, Marchesa di Teodoli, Countess Gioacchino Toreggi, Baroness Julius von Takacs, Duchesse della Torre, Comtesse de Trobriand, Countess de Torlonia, Princess Troubetzkoy, Countess of Tankerville, Baroness Hans von Trauttenberg, Marquise Teodori, Marquise de Talleyrand-Perigord, Vicomtesse de Tristan.

U—Baroness von Uchtritz.

V—Countess Vensort, Comtesse de Villars-Villars, Baroness de Vriere, Baroness Versen, Lady Vernon, Hon. Mrs. Frederick Vernon, Duchesse de Valenciennes, Mrs. Ralph Vivian, Princess Vicovaro, Duchesse de Villars-Blanco.

W—Marchioness of Wellesley (in 1824), Lady Waterlow, Lady Willoughby, Baroness A. von Waldeck-Sofeld, Countess Leopold Wartensleben, Countess von Waldersee (Princess Noer), Lady Wolsey, Mme. de Wollant, Mrs. Oliver Walley.



Said Turkey Great to Pumpkin Big: "Long have I been, my friend, King of the barnyard, but my reign must soon come to an end; Thanksgiving Day is near—heigh-ho!" Said Pumpkin Big, "Yes, that is so."

Said Pumpkin Big to Turkey Great: "The kitchen garden's queen I am, and one more beautiful, I'm sure, was never seen; And yet, with you, I'll have to go." Said Turkey Great, "Yes, that is so."

"But still," said Turkey Great, "when cooked, King of the feast I'll be." "And in the pie," said Pumpkin Big, "I'll shine my royalty; Our fate might be much worse, you know." And then they both sighed, "That is so."

APPOINTING THE DAY OF THANKSGIVING

PROCLAMATION FROM THE WHITE HOUSE IS ONE OF THE MOST SERIOUS DUTIES THAT DEVOLVE UPON THE PRESIDENT.

The only piece of really pure literature ever officially issued from the White house is the proclamation appointing a day of thanksgiving. All other papers written by the president are business documents, the phraseology of which is technical; but this annual message to the people is always a painstakingly worded and grateful composition. A fairly illustrative example will be found in Mr. Roosevelt's proclamation setting aside the last Thursday of the present month for the Thanksgiving of 1906.

It is the duty of Mr. Loeb (who runs the machinery of the president's business, arranging all his engagements for him) to call Mr. Roosevelt's attention to the fact that Thanksgiving approaches, and to remind him that a proclamation must be written. Of course, it requires considerable time to do this, and so busy a man as the chief executive of the nation might be excusable if he handed over the task to some subordinate, contenting himself with affixing his signature. But custom demands that the work shall be performed by the president himself.

Accordingly, when the proclamation has to be prepared, the president devotes some time to thinking out a new shape in which to put the more or less stereotyped ideas which are to be expressed, and, as he does so, jots down a few memoranda in pencil on a paper pad. Then, touching a buzz-button, he summons one of the dozen stenographers who are always in attendance, and dictates to him carefully the wording of the document. It is short—not more than 400 or 500 words—but daintily and tersely phrased. This, however, is only a rough draft. It is copied in typescript by the stenographer, with lines twice the ordinary distance apart, so as to be convenient for corrections and interlineations, and in this shape is handed back to Mr. Roosevelt. He alters it a bit, modifying a sentence here and changing a word there, until it suits him—whereupon a fair copy is made, again submitted for correction, and finally sent over to the department of state.

At the department of state the proclamation is beautifully engrossed on a great sheet of fine parchment by a clerk highly skilled in this kind of penmanship. It is a considerable task, and occupies some days, at the end of which the document is sent back to which the white House to receive the president's signature, and is thereupon returned to the department to be signed by the secretary of state and sealed with the great seal of the United States.

This seal, by the way, is a sort of federal fetiche. It is the most sacred of all things that belongs to the government; and no print of it is ever allowed to be given away or sold—though, of course, it is attached to all military and naval commissions, and to various other executive documents. It was made by a New York jeweler at a cost of \$10,000, and is kept in a beautiful rosewood box at the state department. In order that it may be used for stamping the Thanksgiving proclamation, a printed order to that effect must be signed by Mr. Roosevelt.

The department of state is the permanent depository of executive proclamations. All the Thanksgiving proclamations ever issued by the president of the United States are filed away in its archives—back even to 1795, when George Washington set aside the 19th day of February, in that year, as a date on which the people should "thank God for exemption from foreign war and from insurrection." Consequently, the engraved proclamation is retained by the department "for keeps," and it is a copy that is sent by special messenger to the government printing office, to be put into type. Printed copies are given to the newspapers, or to anybody who wants them; but there must be typewritten copies for the governor of each state and territory of the union, and these are made at the White House and mailed from there.

It will thus be seen that the issuing of the annual Thanksgiving proclamation is, from beginning to end, quite an elaborate piece of business. There is no law to compel the president to make it, and Mr. Roosevelt, if he had so chosen, might have omitted it this year or during his administration. Or, if it should seem proper to him next year, he might choose another day—say, the 1st of January—instead of the last Thursday in November. But it is reasonably certain that he will do neither of these things, for custom holds fast in the bonds of usage the chief magistrate of the nation equally with the plainest citizen.

As everybody knows, the celebration of Thanksgiving day dates back to the Puritans. At irregular intervals, after their arrival in this country, they set dates by public announcement for prayer and feasting, in recognition of blessings vouchsafed from on high. Following this example, in the early history of the republic, days of thanksgiving were appointed by the president for special reasons.

But somehow the pious custom fell into abeyance, and for many years there was no national Thanksgiving, until, during the civil war, a woman, Sarah Josepha Hale, who edited a woman's paper, and who had been chiefly instrumental in raising \$50,000 to complete the Bunker Hill monument—took up the matter, and persuaded Abraham Lincoln to take an interest in it. Thus it came about that Mr. Lincoln issued a proclamation in 1864, appointing the last day of November, that year as a day of prayer and rejoicing. Since then the custom has held, and there has been an annual Thanksgiving celebration for the entire nation, at the instance of the president.

At the White House, Thanksgiving day is always very quietly spent, without any special celebration—barring the fact that each married member of the official staff, including the policemen who guarded the premises, receives a fine turkey. Nearly 70 fat birds are distributed by Col. Crook, the executive paymaster, who is himself an interesting personage, inasmuch as he has been attached to the White House staff, in various capacities, since Lincoln's time. Mr. Roosevelt usually has several turkeys, which are sent to him as gifts.—Rene Bache, in Brooklyn Eagle.

Miles Standish's Triumph.

Miles Standish, the redoubtable captain of Plymouth, looked complacently at the well roasted turkey, flanked with gravy and cranberry sauce—if cranberry sauce had indeed been invented.

"Mehitable," he said to his venerable housekeeper, "prithoe on this Thanksgiving day do I return thanks for many blessings. It has been a year, has it not, since that young Alden married the Priscilla woman?"

"A year and several moons," said the housekeeper, as she helped him to some of the dressing.

"I see by the Colonial Thunderer," continued the stern old warrior, as he balanced a roasted crested nut on his fork, "that Alden has applied for a divorce on the ground that she is a common scold. He hasn't been able to speak for himself since they were married."—New York Herald.



nted all that went with the brides. In some cases the actual dowry was small in comparison with the money that was subsequently spent by them. It has been estimated that the Dowager Duchess of Marlborough, for example, spent \$1,000,000 on restoring Blenheim castle; it is known that many of the Huntington and Mackay millions have been spent in paying the debts of Princes Hatzfeldt and Colonna. How many millions it cost Levi P. Morton to have a duke for a son-in-law, and then to get rid of him, probably only the former vice-president could tell. What Count Boni de Castellane cost Anna Gould, all told, is known only by her brother, George.

Running over the list of rich American girls who have married titles, it is notable that there is scarcely one famous American family which has not contributed a share of its fortune to gliding some coronet Astor,

de Choseul, Countess Czaykowski, Lady Cook, Comtesse Boni de Castellane, Comtesse Guy de Rohan-Chabot, Princess Cantacuzene, Lady Gordon-Cumming, Countess F. de Castegat, Comtesse Horace de Choseul, Lady Cheylesmore (2), Princess di Camporeale, Comtesse de la Chesnaye, Lady Curzon, Signora Coca, Mrs. Colin Campbell, Comtesse A. de Chambrun, Countess of Craven, Hon. Mrs. C. Spencer-Cowper, Lady Carter, Marquise de Carriere, Duchesse di Camposolice, Countess Caserta, Countess de Chrapowitzky, Countess di Castelmezzano, Princess de Chimay, Princess de Chalais, Lady Carrington, Signora Cecarini, Hon. Mrs. Coventry, Mrs. Charles Pelham-Clinton, Countess Catucci, Mrs. Douglas-Campbell, Princess C. di Colonna, Duchesse de Choseul-Fraulin, Mrs. George Cornwallis-West, Comtesse de Conturbia, Marquise de Casa Argudin, Vicomtesse Pierre de Chezelles.

D—Baroness von Dobrowski-Donnersmark, Countess Divonne, Lady Deerpur, Duchesse di Dino, Marchioness of Dufferin, Countess of Donoughmore, Vicomtesse de Dominguez, Duchesse Decasa, Comtesse de Dampierre.